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**CONSTRUCTION STATUS REPORT**

**West Fork Bitterroot River Road (along Painted Rocks Lake) MT PFH 66-1(3)**

**Accomplishments through June 13, 2003:**

Work continued on the slide repair South of Slate Creek. About a third of the new Slate Creek culvert has been erected. Excavation is completed on gabion wall # 5 and work has started on building gabion wall # 3 both North of Slate Creek.

**Future activities planned for the project:**

Work will continue on the new Slate Creek culvert, and traffic should be routed over constructed portion this week, so erection can continue. Excavation and embankment operation will continue North of Slate Creek. Pumco will continue their screening operation at the Alta pit. Work will continue on the slide area South of the Slate Creek Bay, and walls # 3 and #5. Work will may also continue on culverts and underdrains.

**Other news of note:**

Pumco, Inc. current work schedule is 7:00 am to 5:30 Monday thru Friday, but will be changing to 7:00 am to 7:00 pm starting Monday June 30, 2003. This means that Pumco, Inc will use a portion if not all of the 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm road closure. Work will continue through October of this year due to the new Slate Creek culvert being installed. We are working on improving the condition of the road and keeping the dust down.

As a reminder the road open/closure schedule is as follows:

7:00 pm to 8:00 am	Open Road
8:00 am to 10:00 am	Road Closure Permitted
10:00 am to 12:00 pm	Open Road
12:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted
3:00 pm to 5:00 pm	Open Road
5:00 pm to 7:00 pm	Road Closure Permitted

**During Open Road periods expect short delays for flaggers and/or pilot car.** Please be watchful of the flaggers and be prepared to stop, and follow the flagger's directions and follow the pilot car for your own safety as well as the safety of the workers.

Please refer your questions, comments, or concerns to Todd Butikofer at (406) 821-9932 Drive Safe!

